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Monthly Report: July 1956

1. Accomplishments

a. Branch Projects Submitted

- 31.1066. Contribution to the Gross National Product of Communist China by the Munitions Industry.
- 31.487. Input Factors for Ammunition Production in the USSR.
- 34.1611. Ruble/Dollar Ratios for Machine Tools, Metalforming Machinery, Textile Machinery and Abrasives.
- 34.1016. Pattern of Crude Abrasive Use in the USSR.
- 36.903. The Soviet Bloc Electric Wire and Cable Industry.

b. Other Projects Submitted

- 30.830. Soviet Consumption.
- 10.803. Estimates of Agricultural Machinery Production (Contribution).
- 00.1121. Priority Collection Targets for China (Contribution).
- CSM No. 394. New Research Institute for Metalforming.
- CSM. Coordination of Land Armaments Production Throughout the Soviet Bloc.

c. Special Research

During July, D/I branches spent 44½ hours on special research.

2. Training

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- a. [REDACTED] (I/EE) are enrolled in the Intensive Russian Grammar Course.

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- b. [REDACTED] (I/MM) is enrolled in a training course on Atomic Energy.

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- c. [REDACTED] (I/WA) are enrolled in an AEC sponsored English language course.

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- d. [REDACTED] (I/FM) is enrolled in a course in spoken and written German.

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- e. [REDACTED] (I/EE) started the OSI/NED, [REDACTED]-AEC training course 30 July 1956, lasting about 5 weeks.

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3. Trips

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[REDACTED] (I/AR), visited the Air Technical Intelligence Center and the Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, on 12-13 July to obtain aircraft cost data.

4. Administration

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- a. [REDACTED] entered on duty in I/SH.
- b. [REDACTED] entered on duty 23 July in I/AR.
- c. [REDACTED] left I/AR on July 27 to attend the Air Force War College at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Alabama.
- d. Reorganisation of I/WA into two sections has been effected.
- e. [REDACTED], Deputy Branch Chief, is in charge of the USSR Section; [REDACTED] has the Satellites and Far East.
- f. [REDACTED] has received full clearance and is now awaiting special clearance before entering on duty in I/CI.
- g. [REDACTED] detailed from I/WA to St/GM, has been made Acting Chief, St/GM.
- h. [REDACTED] formerly Chief, St/GM, is undertaking orientation in the duties of Deputy Chief, D/I for military economic research.

5. Plans

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- a. Under [REDACTED] guidance, plans are going forward for a consolidation of research effort in the field of military economics. Preliminary steps are being taken in anticipation of authorization of a military economics group composed of I/AR, I/SH, I/WA, A/MS and a newly constituted branch, I/GM. The research program for Fiscal Year 1957 for the military economics group has already been formulated with the cooperation of all the interested branches. [REDACTED] current activities involve visiting all the branches concerned with military studies to become personally acquainted with the personnel, and with the mission, current activities, and problems of each branch.
- b. A training program for D/I personnel closely related with plans for proposed work in the economic aspects of atomic energy has been inaugurated and will be pursued.
- c. St/GM is currently preparing the economic contribution to RME 11-5-56 (Guided Missiles) for submission to the Guided Missiles Intelligence Committee.

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d. Representatives of C/Ch/D/I and I/ME are participating in preparation of comments for the IAC Standing Committee on Exchanges regarding a Soviet proposal for an exchange of visiting delegations in the metal forge-press industry. Recommendations will be submitted by the EIC Subcommittee on Industrial Machinery and Equipment of which Chief, D/I is Chairman.

6. Problems

- a. The problem of adequate space has arisen in connection with prospective expansion of the duties and personnel of D/I. A current unresolved question relates to the provision of suitable working space of specially cleared personnel engaging in study of atomic energy economics.
- b. Separation of clerical personnel without prompt replacement is a continuing problem. It is appreciated that this difficulty is not limited to D/I, but this condition has affected the preparation of research studies for submission.

7. Recommendations

No comments.

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